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OF

OVERSEER JAMES LEROY LAGWAY

JUNE 29, 1922 FEBRUARY 3, 1976



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1976

Emmanuel Church of God in Christ

33rd Street and Compton Avenue

Los Angeles, California

BISHOP S. M. CROUCH, Officiating

Obituary

Not a sound invades the sweetness, not a form evades
the scene;
Not the voice of my beloved in the presence of my King.
And within those heavenly places calmly hushed in sweet
repose;
There a drink with joy absorbing all the love thou
wouldest disclose.
Rest then, O my soul,
Contented thou hast reached thy happy place,
In the bosom of the Saviour, Gazing up in His face.

On the morning of February 3, 1976, the Angel of silence came into the room of Overseer James L. Lagway with chilly fingers closed the lips of our beloved brother. His soul winged its flight from this world of sin, sorrow and pain, to a place of eternal rest.

There are some lives that disappoint us, some impression of a character which we have to revise in later years; but the impression that was formed of Overseer Lagway when you first met him remained unchanged until the end of life.

Elder James Leroy Lagway was born June 29, 1922 in Gorsebeck, Texas to Mr. and Mrs. James I. Lagway. Shortly thereafter, the family moved to Dallas, Texas, where he grew up as a young man. He served in the Armed Forces during World War II, and received an honorable discharge.After which he went into full time service for the Lord.

In the early 50's, he served as Pastor, Superintendent, and as a Member of the State Ordination Board, Southern California, Jurisdiction No. 1, under the leadership of Bishop S. M. Crouch. At the time of his demise, he pastored the House of Deliverance COGIC, 8901 So. Central Ave., Los Angeles.

His crowning efforts was "MISSION," serving as Overseer in the Republic of Mexico with Bishop N. H. Rodriguez, feeding many hungry souls and bringing comfort to many.

He leaves to mourn his loss three sons: James Lagway III, Tim and Randy; two daughters: Wanda and Christy; two brothers, Rev. R. L. Lagway, San Diego, Samuel D. Lagway, Casa Granda, Ariz.; four sisters, Jerelene Nichols, Maude Washington, Valorie Champ, all of San Diego, Oneader Hicks, Los Angeles; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

MASTER OF CEREMONIES ..... Bishop B. R. Benbow

PROCESSIONAL

SONG — "In The Sweet Bye and Bye"

SCRIPTURE ..... Elder C. Jefferson

PRAYER ..... Elder H. Coles

SONG — "I'll Do His Will"

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of Cards,
Telegrams, Condolences ..... Mrs. L. Howard

SOLO ..... Elder W. H. Basham

REMARKS (3 Minutes) ..... Supt. R. Poe, Dr. Eddie Driver,
Chairman "State Ordination Board, Jurisdiction No. 1,
Mother Ethel A. Payne

SOLO ..... Mrs. Marvis Barrett

EULOGY ..... Bishop S. M. Crouch

THE PARTING VIEW

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Active Pallbearers

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ELD. A. LEGANS	ELD. H. HARVEY
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Honorary Pallbearers

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ELD. H. COLES	ELD. P. THOMAS
ELD. J. REEDER	ELD. J. JEFFRIES

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"If any little word of mine
May make life the brighter;
If any little song of mine
Make make the heart lighter—
God help me speak the little word,
And take my bit of singing
And drop into some lonely vale
To set the echoes ringing.

"If any little love of mine
May make a life the sweeter;
If any little care of mine
May make a friend's the fleeter;
If any strength of mine may ease
The burden of another—
God give me love, and care, and strength
To help my toiling brother."

Dedicated to the Family

From Dr. Clemmie Dorsey, Pres.

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